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FIG. 1a illustrates a schematic perspective view of an embodiment of the invention <u>viewed from above</u>,

FIG. 1b illustrates a schematic perspective view of the embodiment of the invention shown in FIG. 1a, viewed from below, and

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FIG. 1 shows FIGS. 1a and 1b show a fireblocking device 11 according to the invention, which is made up of a lower, rectangular plate 12 of a grille that is treated with an intumescent material, disposed on the inlet side of the ventilating device, and an upper corresponding rectangular plate 13 of a heat absorbing and heat storing material in the form of perforated metal or metal pipes 14 filled with liquids, minerals or mixtures thereof, through which plate 13 air can flow, and which is disposed on the outlet side of the ventilating device. Over this, there is placed a rim frame 15 of a heat-insulating material, which can interrupt a heat bridge. Such a heat-insulating frame 15 can alternatively or additionally be placed between the two plates 12 and 13.

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The lower grille plate 12 is manufactured in a generally known manner as a perforated body of, or coated with, or treated with an intumescent material 17, i.e. a material that swells and tightens all openings when heated. This material may cover for instance 10-20% of the flow-through area. The intumescent material can be based on high density polyethylen polyethylene in hard phase of thermoplastic elastomer and chlorinated polyethylene and/or silicone rubber in soft phase. The material contains typical binding agent, thermal stabilizing material, fire retardant additive, and crust forming additives.

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The upper mesh 13 can be one or more perforated plates, a honeycomb-shaped grid of steel plate, pipe metal filled with liquid, a body mainly comprised of coiled or pressed together metal threads or bands, possibly combined with small stones, steel pellets or heat conduction contact with another material 14a that has sufficient thermal conductivity and heat storage capacity.